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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

October 22, 1971

Mr. J. V. O. Weaver
Building Manager
Central Intelligence Agency
McLean, Virginia 22101

Re: C. I. A. Sewer Service
Contract GS-00T-1525 (TP)

Dear Mr. Weaver:

Reference to your recent visit to this office regarding Environmental Protection Agency Report of August 1971 regarding "SOMAT" and boiler blowdown discharges of the Headquarters, C. I. A. facility at McLean, Virginia.

Under the terms of subject contract (Article III, paragraph (b)), Fairfax County as the contractor must provide for a daily estimated volume of 200,000 gallons with capacity for 225,000 gallons. Our records indicate that the recent flows have been approximately 198,000 gallons per day; therefore, the addition of 6,187 gallons from the "SOMAT" operation plus 250 gallons due to boiler blowdown discharges will be within the contract limitations as to volume and character of waste involved.

I believe that the term for subject contract has expired and would appreciate your checking into this and advising me.

Very truly yours,

J. Liedl, Director
Office of Capital Facilities

cc: Office of Waste Management
Systems Control

ROUTING AND RECORD SHEET

SUBJECT: (Optional)

FROM:

AC/HEB/RECD/OL

EXTENSION

NO.

DATE

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TO: (Officer designation, room number, and building)

DATE

OFFICER'S INITIALS

COMMENTS (Number each comment to show from whom to whom. Draw a line across column after each comment.)

1. C/RECD/OL
Room 906, Ames Building

Mal,

Attached is a letter to [] STAT
[] from the County of Fairfax STAT
authorizing us to dump the SOMAT
effluent into the sanitary sewer. I
guess [] and God knows STAT
where the 6,187 gallons came from.
It is our guess that Van requested the
entire output of pulp and all of the
SOMAT be dumped into the sanitary
sewer, or possibly he meant 6.187
or more accurately it is about 61.87
gallons. In any case we have per-
mission and will follow through to see
that the correct pipe is transferred
from the storm to the sanitary sewer.

Dave

Dave

11/8/71

to 2 ~~11/8/71~~
I don't know what
has to do with

Even mental pollution
abatement This is
our bag & we have
accepted it. Please
put the boat on D.M.
+ 16

10. RECD

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October 21, 1971

STATINTL

[redacted]
Office of Logistics and Supply
Room 4 - E - 06
Langley

STATINTL

Dear [redacted]

I am most pleased to have chatted with you about the state of the stream -- to learn that efforts continue to clear up our contribution to the Potomac's pollution and to learn that my notes may be of some use to the engineers. I'm attaching a more-or-less day by day account of the stream since the first of the month. The days without observation are either week-ends or those times when I've had to have the car at the office. A pattern emerges, or appears to. It seems to me that the filters start out quite effective, and then become progressively more unsatisfactory. Finally, it would seem, we almost get back to the conditions pre-dating the installations of the filters. And then, once they have been cleaned, things are relatively good once again. Even so, I must add that I continue to object to the washings when the stream is no more discolored than a very heavily watered skimmed milk.

Date	Morning	Afternoon
Friday Oct. 1	Thick milky (!)	stream clearing up
Saturday Oct 2	Not observed	not observed
Sunday Oct. 3	" #	" "
Monday Oct. 4	clear	slight milky effect
Tuesday Oct. 5	clear	thin milky effect
Wednesday Oct. 6	clear	white and foamy
Thursday Oct. 7	not observed	not observed
Friday Oct. 8	clear	Thick white state.
Saturday Oct 9		
through	Not observed	
Tuesday Oct. 12		
Wednesday Oct 13	clear	thin milky
Thursday Oct. 14	clear	thin milky
Friday Oct. 15	not observed	not observed
Saturday/ Sunday	" "	" "
Monday Oct. 18	clear	Thick milky state
Tuesday Oct. 19	clear	thin milky
Wednesday Oct. 20	Not observed	not observed
Thursday Oct. 21	" "	" "

Sincerely,

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copy to [redacted]

October 1, 1971

STATINTL

Mr. [redacted]
Office of Logistics and Supply
Room 4E-06
Langley

STATINTL

Dear [redacted]

My reluctance to write you a note last week -- for fear that it would upset the nice balance and start a flow of the washings from the pulping tank down through the small stream -- was justified. Starting with Thursday, September 23, the stream has been going from bad to worse. Herewith my account.

Thursday, September 23: Stream clear at 7:45, milky at 5:45 pm.

Friday, September 24: Clear in the morning, increasingly milky in the afternoon.

Saturday and Sunday: No observations.

Monday, September 27: Clear both morning and afternoon (This is the only day, apparently, when the tanks have not been washed.)

Tuesday, September 28: Clear in the morning, milky on the afternoon.

Wednesday, September 29: Slight discoloration in the morning, heavier milky substance in the afternoon.

Thursday, September 30: Almost clear in the morning, but the amount of white pulp in the afternoon was the thickest since last May. A yellowish fungus-like deposit reappeared in the stream bed. Earlier such deposits had been flushed by the heavy rains this summer.

Friday, October 1: The stream ran white in the morning for the first time in months. The deposit in the stream bed is deeper, and suds or foam persists in the pools. The water into the river was extensively discolored.

I fear that there has been a rather serious slippage on the part of the pulpers from the standards you set. I trust you can get them back on track -- because it is a lovely little stream when it is clear.

I'll keep my reports flowing to you through the winter -- unless you'd prefer I send them to someone else.

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September 22, 1971

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Office of Logistics and Supply
Room 4-E-06
Langley

Dear Mr. Smiley:

First, let me congratulate you on the general condition of "Pulp Run." Over the past three months since I last reported to you, the stream has been running clear most of the time. On the occasions when it is evident that the pulping tanks have been washed down the degree of pollution is such that the water has only turned a milky white temporarily. We have not had the recurrence of the thick white pulp residue which was common back in April before I drew this to your attention. The environmental conditions within the run are not perfect, naturally, but we've come a long way toward restoring the natural situation.

You would probably be interested to know that back in the Thirties and early Forties Pulp Run was so pure that Sycamore Islanders used to row across the river to draw their drinking water from the stream. Naturally -- and sadly -- we now rely on our own well and a chlorinating system instead.

My silence over these past weeks has been caused by a number of different factors. The most important of these has been my sense that every time I plan to write a congratulatory note to you the stream turns up particularly messy as I pass it on the way home! In addition, however, the canoe pool has been disrupted by a number of things. One member, Joe Martin, retired and all of us have had breaks for vacation time. Most serious, though, was the fact that my canoe was stolen (Complaint #19,922 to the U.S. Park Police!) in the middle of July.

I am back in business again with a new canoe -- and will be reporting to you at odd intervals when there is something to note. Should you wish to reach me, I am now in Room 926, Chamber of Commerce Building and my extension is [redacted]. In the meantime, my thanks to you for the interest and concern you show for this problem of pollution.

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Sincerely,

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